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THE BELDEN ANCESTRY

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This account of the BELDEN ANCESTRY has been written to preserve the early history of the family of Belden, in the hope that its members may imitate the examples of their worthy ancestors and make the name of Belden one of respectibility, worthiness and honor in the future as well as in the past. May there always be Beldens and may each and every one of them leave the world a better place for his or her having lived in it.

By

Almira Hall and Nellie Scott,
daughter and grand daughter of
HENRY EDGAR BELDEN (1830-1893)
to whom this work is dedicated.

In preparing this history, much effort has been made to furnish an accurate record, but absolute accuracy is not claimed. Sources of data seemingly authentic sometimes differ.

It has been our purpose to collect and preserve such items of interest as we wish our grandparents had done for us a hundred years ago.

We trust this is but the beginning and that some member of the Belden family will continue the work and correct any mistakes we have made.

Our sincere thanks to the members of the family who have been so co-operative in the compilation of this work.

We also wish to thank Mrs. Maude Belden Perry, of Roseville, California, who so kindly furnished the records of the Warren, Saxon, Capetin, Norman and Mareschall Lines. It makes us a trifle dizzy to learn that we are descendants of so many kings, dukes, etc. Of course we prefer the American idea that all men are kings. Mrs. Perry is also preparing a Belden family history.

We have the record of the family back to Adam and Eve but have omitted it from these pages as many naturally doubt its authenticity.

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"The past is not a harbor where we may anchor, but a port from which to sail forth upon new adventures. The recital of past history must always serve as a spring board to new and greater deeds."

Charles E. Schaeffer.

THE BELDEN ANCESTRY.

The Belden Family is of ancient English origin.

The name Belden was taken from the Cornish British - the beautiful hill Beilden, the hill of Belus, a place of Druid worship.

Bayldon, or Baildon, Common is a chapelry in the West Riding of Yorkshire, six miles from Leeds and near the River Aire.

Baildon Hall was built sometime during the fifteenth century.

The Belden coat of arms appears on the window of Menthley Hall, Yorkshire.

The name has been spelled variously, Bayldon, Baildon, Belding, etc. It was changed to Belden in 1772, by Rev. Joshua Belden.

The first AMERICAN IMMIGRANT was Richard, who came from Yorkshire and settled in Weathersfield, Conn. in 1630, ten years after the landing of the Mayflower. Richard's sympathies were strongly with the Puritans, which probably explains why he came to America.

Belden descendants are eligible for membership Magna Charter Societies thru the mother of Richard, the immigrant, Margaret Goodrich. She has a very illustrious ancestry.

THE BAYLDON LINE.

1. OSMUND, died about 1066.
2. GAMEL.
3. ULF.
4. ESSULF FITZ-ULF, born 1080, died 1159.
   Named in Domesday Book.
5. RICHARD FITZ ESSULF, born 1120, died 1200.
   Children: Richard, Maude and Hugh.
6. HUGH married Margery Poole. Changed name to De Baildon.
   Children: Simon, Serlo, Richard, Hugh and Alan.
7. SIMON,
   Children: Hugh, William, John and Eleanor.
8. WILLIAM, died 1278. Married Agnes Blunde.
   Children: William, Michael and Robert.
9. WILLIAM, born 1235.
   Children: Henry, William and John.
10. HENRY, died 1328. Married Alice De Rede.
    Children: William, Adam, John and Walter.
11. ADAM, born 1285, killed at Siege of Calias, 1347.
    Children: John, Richard and Robert.
12. JOHN, born 1320, died 1366.
    Children: William, Elizabeth, Robert, Richard and Adam.
13. WILLIAM, died 1417. Married Margaret de Thorner.
    Children: Nicholas, Alice, Henry and Isabel.
14. NICHOLAS, died 1437. Married Joan de Plumpton. Lived in West Riding.
    Children: Nicholas and William.
15. NICHOLAS, born 1396. Married Janet Fitz.
    Children: Richard, Robert and John.

16. ROBERT, died 1472. Married Amice de Calverly.
Children: Walter, Robert, Thomas and Alice.

17. WALTER, born 1448, died 1511.
Children: John, William, Richard, Anne and Leonard.

18. JOHN, born 1468, died 1526. Member of guild of Corpus Christa at York and mayor of Doncaster in 1521.
Children: John, Robert, Thomas, Edward, Richard, Edith and Jennett.

19. ROBERT BAYLDON, born 1496, died 1558. Married Margaret Mirfield. He served King Henry as groom of the Chamber in 1518. He was attendant on King Henry and Queen Catherine at the meeting with Francis the 1st of France, on the field of the Cloth of Gold at Guisnes in 1520.
Children: George and Nicholas.

20. GEORGE, Born 1520, died 1588, at Kippax, Yorkshire. Married Anne Folkingham.
Children: Francis, Millary, Howard and Anna.

21. FRANCIS BAILDON, born 1560, died 1622. Married Frances Johnson, Margaret Goodrich, Isabelle Tyrwhite and Anne Colby. He was knighted at the coronation of James the First, at Whitehall, July 23, 1603.
Children: Francis, William, Richard, Muriel, Clare, Martin, Thomas and Cuthbert.
Cuthbert served under Oliver Cromwell. Richard and William were children of Margaret Goodrich.

RICHARD was the first American immigrant. He came to America in 1630 and settled in Weathersfield, Conn.

BAYLDON, thru WARREN and SAXON Lines.

1. CEDRIC, The Saxon founder of the Kingdom of Wessex; landed in England A.D.495; died 534.
2. CYNRIC, King of Wessex. Died in 560 A.D.
3. CEARLIN, King of Wessex. Died in 590 A.D.
4. CUTHWINE, killed in battle with Britons, 584 A.D.
5. CUTHA.
6. CHELWALD.
7. KENRED, oldest son of King of Wessex.
8. INGILIS.
9. EOPPA.
10. EASA.
11. EALHMUND, King of Kent.
12. EGBERT, King of Wessex. Died 836 A.D.
13. ETHELWULF.
14. ALFRED THE GREAT, reigned in 871, A.D.
15. EDWARD, the elder King of England.
16. PRINCESS EDGIVA, married Charles 111, King of France.
17. LOUIS D'OUTREMER, King of France.
18. PRINCESS GERBERGA, Married Albert 1, Count of Verm.
19. HERBERT 111, Count of Verm.
20. HERBERT 1V, Count of Verm.
21. ADELA de VERM, married Hugh the Great, son of Henry 1, of France.
22. ISABEL, married William de Warren, 2nd Earl.
23. WILLIAM de WARREN, 3rd Earl (slain in Crusade, 1148).
24. ISABEL, married 1163 Hameline Plantaganet, 4th Earl, natural brother of King Henry 11.
25. WILLIAM de WARREN, 5th EARL, died 1240.
26. JOHN de WARREN, 6th Earl, died 1304.
27. ELEANOR, married Henry de Percy.
28. HENRY de PERCY, 1st Baron of Alnwick.
29. HENRY de PERCY, 2nd Baron.
30. MAUD de PERCY, married Sir John, Baron de Neville de Raby.

31. RALPH, 1st Earl of Westmoreland, married Joanede Beaufort, illegitimate daughter of John of Guant, son of King Edward 111 and Catherine Swinford. Joane was legitimized after her parent's marriage.
32. SIR GEORGE NEVILLE, created Baron Latimer, 1432.
33. SIR HENRY NEVILLE, daughter, Joanna, married John Bouchier, Lord Berners.
34. SIR RICHARD, 2nd Lord Latimer, Commander in King's Army.
35. SUSAN, fifth daughter, married Richard Norton of Norton.
36. CLARE, married Richard Goodrich, of Ribston.
37. MARGARET, married Sir Francis Bayldon, of Kippex. He was knighted at the coronation of James the 1st, at Whitehall, in 1603.
38. RICHARD BAYLDON, Immigrant ancestor.

THE CAPETON LINE.

1. WITIKIND, a Saxon.
2. ROBERT the STRONG, duke of France.
3. ROBERT, duke of France.
4. HUGH THE GREAT, married Edith, daughter Henry 1, King of Germany.
5. HUGH CAPET, King of France.
6. ROBERT, King of France.
7. HENRY 1, King of France.
8. HUGH the GREAT, Count of Verne.

No. 8, next above, is the same as No. 21 of Saxon Line, of which RICHARD BAYLDON, Immigrant Ancestor, is No. 38.

THE NORMAN LINE.

1. ROGINWALD, a Norwegian Jarl, an Earl.
2. ROLLO, Duke of Normandy.
3. WILLIAM LONGWOOD, Duke of Normandy.
4. RICHARD 1, Duke of Normandy.
5. RICHARD 11, Duke of Normandy.
6. ROBERT 11 DIABLE, Duke of Normandy.
7. WILLIAM THE CONQUERER, King of England.
8. GUNDRED, daughter, married William De Warren.
9. WILLIAM de WARREN, Earl of Surrey and Warren, married Isabel, granddaughter of Henry, King of France.

No. 9 next above same as No. 22 Saxon Line, of which RICHARD BAYLDON, Immigrant Ancestor is No. 38.

THE MARESCHALL LINE.

1. GILBERT MARESCHALL, 1st Baron Marshall to John Henry 1.
2. JOHN MARESCHALL, 2nd Baron Marshall to King Stephen.
3. WILLIAM MARESCHALL, Earl of Pembroke, Marshall of England.
4. ISABEL MARESCHALL, married Gilbert de Clare, Magna Charter Surety.
4. MAUD, married William De Warren, 5th Earl.

No. 4 next above same as No. 25 Saxon Line, of which RICHARD BAYLDON, Immigrant Ancestor is No. 38.

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22. RICHARD, our AMERICAN IMMIGRANT, was baptized at Kippax in 1591. He took oath of allegiance to the King on March 26, 1613, and served in the campaign of Breda, Holland, under Sir George Blundell. He came to Weathersfield, Conn. in 1630. An elm tree on his homestead on Broad Stree was said to be the largest in New England.
Children: ~~Richard~~, John and Samuel. Wm.
Samuel's wife was murdered by the Indians in 1677.

23. JOHN, Born at Kippax, Yorkshire, England, died at Norwalk, Conn. He served in Captain Mason's Company in the Pequot War. He married LYDIA STANDISH, daughter of Thomas.
Children: John, Johnothan, Joseph, Samuel, Sarah, Daniel, Ebenezer, Margaret and Lydia.

24. JOHN, married Dorothy Willard. He served in King Phillip's War in the Swamp Fight.
Children: Josiah, John, Benjamin, Ezra, Lydia, Hannah, Stephen and Dorothy.

25. EZRA, born 1699, at Weathersfield, married Elizabeth Belding, 1722.
Children: Ezra, Aaron, Elizabeth, Eunice and Lois.

26. EZRA, born 1722, married Rebecca Dix.
Children: Ezra, Leonard, Rebecca and Johnothan.

27. EZRA, born 1746, married Sarah Steele.
Children:
JOHN married Sally, daughter of Hannah Brower, 1796. She died 1837.
JOHNOTHAN, born 1800, married Lucretia Hungerford.

(Our family Bible record shows deaths as follows: Herman Hungerford, 1840. Mary Lucenia, 1836. Tertius, 1834. Anna, 1853. Margaret, 1851. John, 1835. Sally, 1837.)

Family No. 28.

JOHNOTHAN BELDEN, son of Ezra and Sarah (Steele) Belden, born February 29, 1800, and died November 23rd, 1890. He married LUCRETIA HUNGERFORD November 23rd, 1825, at Farmington, Conn. They were married by Dr. Noah Porter, President of Yale College. They lived in New Britain, Conn., then moved to Dickinson County, Kansas, where he obtained a homestead of one hundred and sixty acres of land. Later he moved to Ottawa County, Kansas, where he died.

Children:

TERTIUS, married Harriet Sanford, daughter Lydia Sanford, grand daughter of John Beckley. Tertius had no children. History gives him six.

ESTHER, married Shelton Roberts.
Children: Ivy, Bruce and Nettie.

EZRA, married Harriet Amesbury.
Children:
William, born 1862.
Julia, married Hiram Decker.
James, married Nancy Haynes.
Ephriem, born 1867.
Eugene, married Rosa Haynes.
Daisy, married John Decker.

HERMAN, died yang.
ANDREW, died young.
JAMES, died young.
MARY LUCINIA, died young.

HENRY, see Family No. 29.

Note: Lucretia Belden was a member of the Baptist Church at New Britain, located at the foot of Dublin Hill.

THE HUNGERFORD LINE.

The Hungerford family is of English origin.

Mary Hungerford married Hugh Smithson, the first duke of Northumberland and a descendant of King Henry the Seventh.

James Smithson, their son, was the founder of the Smithsonian Institution, which has inspired and guided the scientific development of this continent for the past hundred years. He willed his entire fortune, five hundred and forty-two thousand dollars for this work, for which America owes him a debt of eternal gratitude. He died in Genoa, Italy in 1829.

In England, there are two almshouses existing at the present time, which were founded and endowed by the Hungerfords before 1450.

On the tombstone of Capt. John Hungerford, who died in 1787 and was buried at Plainville, Hartford County, Conn., is the following verse:

"Behold and see as you pass by,
As you are now so once was I,
As I am now so you must be,
Prepare for death and follow me."

HENRY EDGAR BELDEN, to whom this work is dedicated, was the son of Johnothan and lucretia Hungerford Belden. He was born July 30, 1830, at New Britian, Conn.

At the age of eighteen he drifted to Vermillion County, Illinois. In March, 1851, he married Phebe Stanfield, daughter of Samuel and Jane Matthews Stanfield. He taught several terms of school near Georgetown and later moved to Van Meter, Iowa, where he continued teaching for a time, then changed his occupation to farming.

He spent considerable time during the Civil War in training raw recruits, as he had some experience in the State militia in Connecticut. He was unable to enlist on account of an injury.

He was a bitter opponent of the Fugitive Slave Law and he engineered an underground railway that was located in the heavy timber on his farm. He gave food and shelter to the hunted frightened fugitives and sent them on their way to Canada and freedom.

Many of the older people in those days could not read so they came to him to learn what was happening. In the winter the neighbors would gather around the fireplace and in the summer they would sit in the yard, listening to him read the news, which was sometimes joyful and sometimes sorrowful. One of the writers of this article well remembers when a man on horseback rode up to the gate, bearing the message that Lincoln had been assassinated. She remembers the consternation of the people when they learned that their beloved leader had been taken away.

In the autumn of 1869, he and his family went to southeastern Kansas, in a covered wagon.

They stopped for the winter in Cherokee, Kansas, there being schools there. In the spring of 1870, they went to Montgomery County, Kansas. The Osage Indians were being transferred to the then Indian Territory and the land they vacated in Kansas was open for settlement. Another childhood memory of my brother, Frank, and myself sitting on the roof of the house, watching the tribe go by. Each one had to be in Independence in person in order to receive his share of pay for the land. A rather funny incident occured. We had planted what we thought was watermelon seed but which proved to be piemelons. The Indians took all the melons and when they discovered their mistake their laughter could be heard a long ways away.

He lived for some time in Dickinson County, Kansas, near Abilene, then moved to Ottawa County, near Tescott, where he died September 2nd, 1893, at the age of sixty-three.

He had been a member of the United Brethren Church for many years and usually had the office of Sunday School Superintendent. He was greatly interested in education, well read and was a broad-minded deep thinker. It was said in his obituary notice that he was fifty years ahead of his time.

Something happened at his death that might interest the members of the family. He had seemingly passed on and every one had left the room but his wife, Phebe. He opened his eyes and with a look of joy said, "It is all right." That was the end.

Phebe Belden, after the death of Henry Belden, moved to Oklahoma and pioneered again. She was in her sixties at that time. She lived to be ninety years old and was blind for five years before her death. She lived like the earlier queens, surrounded by loyal subjects who gave her loving care. Her throne, however, was well earned and not inherited.

Henry Belden, soon after their marriage in 1851, decreed that Phebe should have a birthday party every year and she did have a birthday party every year for seventy years. The parties grew larger and larger as the years passed by and during her later years the children and grandchildren came from far and near to enjoy the one day in the year when they could all be together. Queen Phebe reigned supreme on these occasions.

Fourteen children were born to Henry and Phebe Belden. Five of them died in childhood. One daughter was afflicted and died while a young woman. Four sons and four daughters lived to maturity.

The four sons were farmers, all church workers and well liked in their respective cummunities.

One son, William Franklin, was a lecturer. He believed that the bounties of this earth should be enjoyed by all people, not just a favored few. He spent his life trying to educate people along this line.

Another son, Samuel, was an advocate of prohibition. He lived in a dry State and he did a splendid work in helping to keep it that way.

The third son, James, and his wife were both musicians and they contributed much to entertainment in their vicinity. They furnished music for the neighborhood parties and dances for many years.

The fourth son, Richard, was of the genial friendly type who takes part in everything.

The four daughters were also church workers.

Cynthia, the oldest daughter, preached the Gospel in season and out of season and as she and her husband not only taught the Golden Rule but lived it, their influence was great.

The second daughter, Almira, co-author of this work, was a nurse and she officiated at the arrival and departure of many Beldens, also cared for a number of them during the interval between the two major events.

The third daughter, Lorinda, together with her husband took a leading part in transforming their home town, one of the toughest spots of Oklahoma's early days, into a law-abiding, peace-loving little hamlet where it became a pleasure to live.

The fourth daughter, Grace, and her husband were known for their hospitality and kindness. They opened their hearts and home to any one ill or in distress. There are many who have gratitude in their hearts for the two Good Samaritans.

Henry and Phebe Belden have 331 descendants, 291 now living. 116 have married into the family, 101 now living.

You will not find their names among the mighty or the very wealthy, but you will find their names on church rolls and upon membership rolls of organizations formed for the express purpose of lifting the burdens from the backs of their fellowmen.

There are several Ministers of the Gospel in the family who are bringing the glad tidings that Salvation is free to all who will accept. And why not accept? It was bought at a great Price. You will be far happier while here and you will have the sure hope of eternal life. Why not join the happy throngs of people who "wait for Him" (Hebrews 9-28) and receive the "joy that passeth understanding."

You may fall, many times, but just begin again, you are promised forgiveness "seventy times seven." Christ did not come to save the righteous, He came to save sinners like you and me.

The crusading spirit of our forefathers is still flaring up for a few of the family have been willing to face imprisonment in order to live up to their convictions of what they believe to be right and wrong.

The majority of the Beldens, however, are just the average run-of-the-mill, industrious, law-abiding, church-going, neighborly folks who, together with millions like them, make our nation great.

Thirty-two of the grandsons and great grandsons of Henry Belden, including the boys who married great grand daughters, during World War 11, marched out, or flew out, to help FREE millions of slaves and to liberate many nations.

They helped to keep the enemy from our shores, the bombs from our cities and helped to remove fear from the hearts of the inhabitants of the entire world. What a grand record.

Two of the family, Ralph and Melvin Belden were in the Navy and stationed at Pearl Harbor when the first bomb fell, December 7th, 1941, in World War II. Melvin Belden was injured.

Two others of the family have made the supreme sacrifice.

RALPH BELDEN, son of James and Clara Belden and grandson of Henry and Phebe Belden, served in World War 1. He was killed while driving an ambulance at Chateau Thierry, in 1918. He was awarded citations from two nations, France and the United States, among them the Croix de Guerre, for bravery in action. He was sent from Fort Riley, Kansas, June Cas. Tr. No.3 MD M600W AEF.

WALDO BELDEN, son of Bert and Clela Belden, grandson of Frank and Hattie Belden and great-grandson of Henry and Phebe Belden, was killed in a training plane crash near Stuttgart, Arkansas, in World War 11. In a few days he would have completed his training and received his wings and a commission. He was nineteen years old. He was buried, with military honors, at Pawnee, Oklahoma.

Truly those precious lives have not been given in vain.

War is brutal, inhuman and demoralizing and it is our sorry record that in the four thousand years of recorded history mankind has enjoyed only a little more than three hundred years of peace.

However, the greatest minds of our time are striving to find a way to bring about permanent peace and we have a very comforting promise in Micah 4-3:

"And He shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

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It Matters Much

It matters little where I was born,
Or if my parents were rich or poor;
Whether they shrank at the World's
cold scorn,
Or walked in the pride of wealth secure;
But whether I live an honest man,
And hold my integrity firm in my clutch,
I tell you, brother, plain as I am,
It matters much.

It matters little how long I stay,
In a world fraught both with joy and care;
Whether in youth I am called away,
Or live till my bones and pate are bare;
But whether I do the best I can
To soften the weight of adversity's
touch
On the faded cheek of my fellow-man,
It matters much.

(Author unknown)

THE STANFIELD LINE.

John Stanfield, grandfather of Phebe Belden, claimed to be of royal blood, ancestors came over in the Mayflower, belonged to the Masonic Order and lived in Green County, Tennessee. He married _____ Dillon.

He was drafted in the War of 1812, but, on account of his age, his son, Samuel, acted as substitute. Samuel was given a land warrant in payment for his services and he secured a homestead near Adel, Dallas County, Iowa. He was of Quaker faith, but was obliged to leave the church on account of having served in the army. The church insisted that he destroy the land warrant but he refused to do so.

Children: Phebe (Graham). Marie (Dabney). Sarah (Breezley). Betsy (Hunter). Hannah (Yeager). Thomas, William, Samuel (Matthews).

SAMUEL married Jane Matthews.

Children: Elizabeth, married Joseph Murdock, Ridge Farm, Ill.

Sarah married Jacob Cooper.

Children: Morgan, Sam, Jennie (Kendall).

Katherine married Sam Hayworth.

Children: Samuel and Angeline.

Pricilla, married James Lowrie. Desoto, Iowa.

Children: Joe, John and Frank.

Rebecca married Isaac Thornton, Van Meter, Iowa.

Children: William, Maria, Marietta, Cynthia (Aldridge) Arminta, Flora, Lucretia (Wright)

Hannah married Henry Wright, Dallas County, Iowa.

Children: Samuel, Ben, Cynthia (Young).

See next page.

THE STANFIELD LINE. (Brought forward).

Children:

Lucinda married Thomas Baldwin, lived in Dallas County, Iowa. Children: Sarah, George, Elmer, Mary, Lycurgus, James Riley (father) of Will Baldwin, Danville, Ill.)

Phebe married Henry Belden.

Cynthia married Josephas Collison, lived near Van Meter, Iowa. Children: Lashore, George and Josephine (Houston) who lived at Falls City, Nebr. She died at Oakland, California.

William married Elizabeth Johnson. Lived in Dallas County, Iowa. Children: Florence and Alice (Dobbins) who lived at Victor, Colo.

George married Jane Wilkinson. Lived at Winterset, Iowa. Served in CIVIL WAR, GUNNER 4 PRIVATE - 2ND IOWA BATTERY.

Jefferson married Eliza Banks. Lived at Mankato, Kansas. Served in CIVIL WAR, COMPANY A, 23RD IOWA, PRIVATE. Children: Vada (Baker). Edna (Dunton). Lillie (Burr). Katherine (Flood). Roy.

Elizabeth, Sarah, Katherine, Pricilla, Rebecca, Hannah, Lucinda and Phebe were all married by the same minister, Rev. Cowan, Methodist.
Cynthia was married by her brother-in-law, Henry Belden.

Family No.29.

HENRY BELDEN, born July 30, 1830, at New Britian, Conn., died September 2nd, 1893, at Tescott, Kansas. He married PHEBE STANFIELD, who was born June 13the, 1831, in Green County, Tenn., died October 19th, 1921, at Pawnee, Oklahoma. They were married March 11th, 1851, Vermillion County, Illinois, Rev. Cowan, Methodist minister, officiating.

CHILDREN

Lucretia Jane	Died young
Cynthia Ann	Married Frank Smith
Maria Lucille	Died young
Almira	Married Oscar Hall J.Klutsenbeker
Wm. Franklin	Married Hattie Logsden Anna Belden
Lorinda Ellen	Married A. L. Griffin
Samuel Theodore	Married Rose Hahn Mary Gordon Mary Smith
James Andrew	Married Clara Dunton
Thomas Grant Geo. Colfax	Twins,died young, 1869
Melissa Jane	Died age 26
Lillie Grace Lulu (twins)	Married W.Klutsenbeker Died young 1876
Richard	Married Anna Beltz

CYNTHIA ANN BELDEN was born November 16th, 1854 at Georgetown, Illinois, and died at Junction City, Kansas, in 1932. She married FRANK SMITH, who was born October 23rd, 1852, at Lockport, New York, and died at Winona, Kansas, July 29th, 1935.

They were married at Junction City, Kansas, on July 4th, 1875, with a double wedding, the other parties being Charles Lowrie and Lillie Miles.

Children.

LENA married *Henry Lantz. Lived at Hutchinson, Kansas.
Children:

MINNIE married Roy Cummings. Lives at Greenfield, Missouri.
Children:

EVELYN married Don Pistole, who served in the Medical Corps in World War 11.
Children: Don Jr.

MURIEL married Homer Jones.
Children: Janice Kay, Eric Cordell, Peggy Diane and the twins, Karen Elaine and Claude Blaine.

*ERIC

WADE, who served in the Army in World War 11.

JUNE married Arrie Gustafson.
Children: Meredith Duane.

JUANITA, married Don Griffin.
Children: Michael Rodney and Donald West Jr.

* indicates deceased.

See next page.

Children of Henry and Lena Lantz.

ETHEL married Percy Cummings, who served in the Navy in World War 11. They live at Anderson, Indiana.
Children:

WESLEY, who served in the Air Force in World War 11.

FRANCES married Herb Hoffman, who served in the Army in World War 11. They live in Nickerson, Kansas.
Children:

PETER, who served in the Army in World War 11.
GWEN
ANN
LA VERN

PAUL married Dean White. They live at Hutchinson, Kansas. He served in the Navy in World War 11.
Children:

CLARK, who served in the Navy in World War 11.
CURTIS
NANCY Jo
GARY PAUL

HERBERT married Dorothy Nowlin. They live at Topeka, Kansas.
Children:

DOROTHY LEE
SANDRA LU

BRUCE married *Nellie Brott. Lived in Greeley, Colorado.
Children:

RALPH ALVIN married Frances Hancock. Lives in Greeley, Colo.
Children:

CAROL

HARLEY CLARENCE married Ethel Demarest. Lives in Greeley, Colo.
Children:

LOIS married _____

GEORGE married Sara Linscott. They live Wallace, Kansas.
Children:

*MELVILLE FRANCIS

CARRIE MAE married Levi Whiteford. They live at Winona, Kas.
Children:

EMILY JUNE
ALDEN FRED
RUTH ANN

HENRY NEIL married Mabel McVean. They live in Boulder, Colorado. Served in Army.
Children:

BARBARA JO
LEO NEIL
LOWELL McVEAN

MARJORIE ELNATHA Lives at Wallace, Kansas.

* indicates deceased.

GEORGIA VELMA married Roy Francis Eaton.
Lives in Las Vegas, Nevada.
Children:

MARY ALICE
DORIS JEAN
FRANCIS ELAINE

CLIFTON ALBERT married Eileen Ellen Sexton.
Lives at Weskan, Kansas.
Children:

VIRGIL LEROY

FLOYD EDMOND married Eern Lavinia Holloway.
Lives at Twin Falls, Idaho.

KATIE NEOLA married Merlin Elda Nickols.
Lives at McCook, Nebraska.
Children:

MERLIN JAY
JERRY DONALD

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ROY, third son of Frank and Cynthis Smith, died at the age of nineteen. He was struck by lightning.

ROSS married Margaret Washburn. They live in Junction City, Kansas.
Children:

ROY married Kathryn Francis Smith.
Children:

CAROLINE ELIZABETH
ROSS WILLIAM
VIRGINIA KAY
ROY CLIFFORD
PHILLIP STEPHEN

WESLEY FRANK
ROLAND LEONARD

*LUCY married John Griggs and Chas. Kunkle.
lived at Kansas City, Missouri.
Children: (father, John Griggs)

LILLIAN married Albert Scott.
RAYMOND married _____
4 children

GOLDIE married Earl Riling. Lives at Greeley, Colorado.
Children:

WANDA married Roy Wood.
Children:

DIXIE LEE
MARY JANE
Patrick

ERLENE ELNATHA married Don Moore, Served in world war II
Children:
Donna Jean

* indicates deceased.

ALMIRA BELDEN, born July 25th, 1858, at Van Meter, Dallas County, Iowa, and died August 14th, 1947, at Los Angeles, California, married OSCAR HALL, who was born February 14th, 1845, in Broome County, New York, and died September 8th, 1889, at Denver, Colorado. They were married November 11th, 1877, in Abilene, Kansas, by Rev. W. D. Snyder, Presbyterian Minister, at Drovers Cottage, of "North of 36" and "Chisholm Trail" fame.

She also married JOHN KLUTSENBEKER.

Children of Oscar and Allie Hall.

NELLIE married Arthur Randolph and Charles Scott. She lives in Los Angeles, California.

*ELMER married Maude Collins. Lived at Bartlesville, Oklahoma.
Children:

HATTIE CHRISTINE married Carson Burnette.
Children:

NORMA JOYCE married David Carey, who served in the Navy in World War 11. They live at Yakima, Washington.
Children:

JENNIFER SUE

CLIFFORD married Crystal LaRue and Gerry McPherson. Lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He served in the Navy in World War 11.

*DALLAS

* Indicates deceased.

WILLIAM FRANKLIN BELDEN, born 1859, Dallas County, Iowa, died June 24th, 1929, in Arkansas City, Kansas.

He married HATTIE LOGSDEN, in Leadville, Colorado. She died in Pawnee County, Oklahoma, in 1919. To this union seven children were born.

He also married ANNA BELDEN, who died August 23rd, 1937, at Grants Pass, Oregon.

Children of William and Hattie Belden.

ROBERT married Mattie Stuller. Lives in Porterville, California.
Children:

RALPH married Polly Fleming. He served in the Navy in World War 11.
Children:

CAROLINE JUNE
RALPH RAYMOND

EILEEN

DOROTHY married Otis Tlle. Lives at Turlock, California.
Children:

RALPH ROBERT

BARBARA married George Riser. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.
Children:

SHARON LYNN

MARY LOU
FLORENCE
BETTY married *James Cornell
Children:
MICHAEL PHILIP

*Deceased.

Children of William and Hattie Belden.

*ETHEL married Harvey Cocannouer. Lived at Chowchilla, California.
Children:

SYLVIA married _____
DELBERT
CLAUDE served in the Army
NINA married ___

(I regret having so little information on this family).

OTIS married Lela Cole. They live at Rock Island, Illinois.
Children:

RAYMOND married Rita Connelly.
Children:

PATRICA MAE
MARIENNE

EUGENE married Odessa Eades. Lives in Collins, Missouri.
Children:

SHIRLEY
PAULINE

VIOLA married Samuel Farrar. Lives at Adelanto, California.
Children:

WESLEY married Mildred Culberson. Lives at Fontana, California.
Children:

NORMA ANN
ROLLIN LEROY

* indicates deceased.

EUGENE married Orpha Lumpkin. Lives in Arkansas City, Kansas.
Children:

SAMUEL ALLEN
TERRY LYNN

MAXINE married Kenneth Howell. Lives in Ontario, California.
Children:

ELLEN KATHLEEN
DONALD BERYL

ETHEL married Henry Hause, a Minister of the Gospel. They live at Bakersfield, California.
Children:

MARLENE
CAROL JOYCE
LANONA KAY

PAULINE married Merle Catin. Lives in Adelanto, California. He is serving in the Air Force.

*LeROY

PAUL married Crishia Benner. Lives in Porterville, California.
Children:

JUANITA married Charles Cambran. Lives in Wakita, Oklahoma. He served in the Army in World War 11.
Children:

PAUL
DUANE
DEAN
CHARLOTTE

* Indicates deceased.

Children of Paul and Crishia Belden.

MELVIN married Charlotte Hayworth. He served in the Navy in World War 11.
Children:

DAVID WAYNE

CALVIN served in the Army in World War 11.

CHARLES served as a Marine in World War 11.

GLADYS
GERALD
*PAUL
RUSSELL

BERT married Clela Kenney. Lives in Wichita, Kansas.
Children:

IRIS WARREN married Bonnie Davis and Mary Swank. Lives in Wichita, Kansas. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.
Children:

MICHAEL SCOTT (mother, Mary)

*WALDO served in Air Force in World War 11. Killed while in training.

DONALD married Evelyn Hanson. He served in the Air Force in World War 11. Children:

DIANE

CAROL married David McOmber. Lives in Wichita, Kansas.
Children:
SHEILA ANN

CARSON

LORINDA ELLEN BELDEN, born March 20th, about 1861, in Dallas County, Iowa, died September, 1928, at Cleveland, Oklahoma. She married ABRAHAM L. GRIFFIN, who was born March 14th, 1858, near Springfield, Illinois, died June, 1937, in Cleveland, Oklahoma.

They were married May 29th, 1892, at Minneapolis, Kansas, by Rev. T. H. Taggart, Methodist Episcopal minister, at the residence of Capt. G. J. Spitzer. To this union three children were born.

Children

FRANK ORVILLE married Nina Spiker. They live in Cleveland, Oklahoma.
Children:

DALE married Maxine Butler. They live in Cleveland, Oklahoma.
Children:

JEFF
DARLA DALE

JEAN married Katherine Butler. They live in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He served in the Navy in World War 11.
Children:

JEAN RUSSELL
TIMOTHY
DEBORAH ANN

ROSEMARY died in infancy.

Children of Abraham and Lorinda Griffin.

ALYS LUELLA married Lloyd Belden. Lives in Cedaredge, Colorado.
Children:

LLOYD BYRON

BETTY JO married Ralph Brumfield. Lives in Woodward, Oklahoma. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.
Children:

ELIZABETH MAUREEN

CAROL ROSE Lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

THOMAS MALVIN Lives in Woodward, Oklahoma.

*RICHARD

*MARGARET

*SAMMY

RUTH ANNITA married *Charles Buford. Lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

*Indicates deceased.

SAMUEL THEODORE BELDEN, born April 11th, 1863, in Dallas County, Iowa, and died November 2nd, 1942, in Pawnee County, Oklahoma.

He was married to CARRIE ROSE HAHN, February 14th, 1883, at McPherson, Kansas, her father, Rev. T. C. Hahn and Rev. Myers officiating. She died at Pawnee, Oklahoma, July 22nd, 1918. Twelve children were born to this union.

He also married MOLLIE GORDON and MARY SMITH.

Children of Samuel and Carrie Rose Belden:

*GERTRUDE married Clarence Warnack.
Children:

ESTHER E. LOUISE married Roy A. Schmucker. Lives at Sterling, Kas.
Children:

NAOMI LOUISE
RUTH ANN
DORIS MARIE

BONNIE MARGARET married Jacob C. Auernheimer. Lives at Reedley, California.
Children:

ROBERT BRUCE
JOY KARIN
IRENE FAYE

*LAWRENCE WILBUR married Louise Brewer.
Children:

DONALD EUGENE, HELEN SUE, PATTIE MARIE, SAMUEL ROBERT, MARY MARGARET, AUDREY COLLEEN, JUNE ANN.

* indicates deceased.

Children of Gertrude and Clarence Warnak.
(Brought forward)

JAMES HUBERT, a Minister of the Gospel, married Opal Vaughn. They live in Sapulpa, Oklahoma.
Children:

SHELIA ANN, JAMES DALE, PAUL ALLEN and ANTHONY VAUGHN.

*DONALD HERBERT
*ELSIE ROSE
*MARION FRANCIS

ELLA married Rev. Daniel Herbert Sill, a Minister of the Gospel for forty-seven years. They lived at Wichita, Kansas.
Children:

DAVID HERBERT, married Virginia Smith, Lives in Wichita, Kansas. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.
Children:

KATHRYN MARY

DANIEL HUBERT married Jeannette Ward. Lives in Arizona. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.
Children:

LINDA LEE
CAROL JANE

* Indicates deceased.

HENRY EDGAR married Gertrude Rambo. Lives at Cedaredge, Colorado.
Children:

NEETA married Rev. Joshua Cloud, a Minister of the Gospel. They live at Proctor, Oklahoma.
Children:

JOSHUA JR., CHERRY ROSE, UREL HENRY and SAMUEL ENOCH.

MAYME

FRANK married Lucy Russell. Lives at Wichita, Kansas.
Children:

VICTOR MOORE

BERNICE married Merle Hunter. They live at Wichita, Kansas.
Children:

LEONA
*TERRY JILL

LLOYD married Alys Leulle Griffin. Lives in Cedaredge, Colorado.
Children:

LLOYD BYRON

BETTY JO married Ralph Brumfield. They live in Woodward, Oklahoma. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.
Children:

ELIZABETH MAUREEN

* Indicates deceased.

Children of Lloyd and Alys Belden.(Continued)

CAROL ROSE Lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma.
THOMAS MARVIN
*RICHARD
*MARGARET
*SAMMY

*THOMAS CORIN married Edith Riley. Lived at Wichita, Kansas. He served in World War 1 in the Medical Corps. Did not go overseas as regiment left while he was attending his mother's funeral. Did splendid hospital work.

*RICHARD Died at age twenty. Lived at Pawnee, Oklahoma. Was Superintendent of Sunday School.

STANLEY married Gladys Merrick. Lives in Seattle Washington. He served in World War 11 in Medical Corps.
Children:

BEVERLY MAUREEN, SHARON EILEEN, MARGARET ANN DEE and DAVID.

ROSE married Ralph Stuller. Lives in Cedaredge, Colorado.
Children:

MARY ROSE married Charles Woolley.
Children:

HARRY
ROBERT
ELAINE

*SAMUEL HERBERT drowned in Colorado Rived.

NINA BELL married LaVern _____

*LUCY ELLA

*Indicates deceased.

Children of Samuel and Rose Belden.

HAROLD married Myrtle Hickock, Edith Finamore and Zulu Williams. Lives at Albany, Oregon.
Children:

RAMONA (mother, Myrtle)

GILBERT LEE (mother, Zulu)

MARVIN married Dorothy Warnack. Lives at Fresno, California. He served in the Marines in World War 11.
Children:

MARION and MARVIN (Twins)
HOWARD LEE
JUDITH ANN

SAMUEL OLIVER married Florence Day. Lives at Clovis, California.
Children:

ROSE,
NINA,
WILLIAM
MORRIS DALE

LEONARD married Leola Bays. Lives at Albany, Oregon.
Children:

RICHARD
JOSEPH
DARLENE

JAMES ANDREW BELDEN, born November 28th, 1867, in Dallas County, Iowa, married CLARA DUNTON, born April 27, 1872, and died August 4th, 1942. They were married in Jewell County, Kansas. They lived at Fowler, Colorado and Lebanon, Kansas. He lives in Burr Oak, Kansas.

Children

RALPH married Gladys Doll. Served in World War 1 in the Medical Corps. He was killed while driving an ambulance at Chateau Thierry, France, in 1918.
Children:

RACHEL married Paul Chudy. Lives in Eugene, Oregon.
Children:

PAUL E. Jr.
PAULINE J.
HENRY E.
BETTY JEAN
JAMES J.

MARY HELEN married Alfred Theodore Larson. They live in Eugene, Oregon.
Children:

THELMA LUCILLE

REX married Myrtle Rouse. Lives at Lebanon, Kansas.
Children:

JAMES EVERETT married Elma Ingram and Wilma Grace.
Children (mother, Elma)

DONALD EUGENE
WENDELL DUANE
JAMES BREFORD

Children of Rex and Myrtle Belden (Cont)

DOROTHY FERN married Lester Ingram.
Children:

PHYLIS
PHILIP

VERA married Birdale Carter.
Children:

ARLENE ELAINE
DORIS ALINE

TWYLA DAWN married Joe Broker. He served in World War 11 in the Air Force.
Children:

MARGUERITE - LUCY JEAN
JOAN and PATTY

NAOMI MAE married Merritt Kindler. Children:

DIANA ELVINE

LA VERNE MARION - MARY ANN
WILDA ADEAN and LETHA VALJEAN

HAROLD married Eleanor McCorkle. Lives at Burr Oak, Kansas. Children:

GALE LYNN

DELIA married Robert Walsh, served in World War 11, Prison Div. and William McDermott, who served in the Air Force. Lives in Washington, D.C.
Children:

WILLIAM THEODORE
CLARE ELLEN

LILLIE GRACE BELDEN, born February 6th, 1874, married WILLIAM H. KLUTSENBEKER, who was born January 13th, 1872, at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and died January 31st, 1942, at Pawnee, Oklahoma.

They were married at the bride's home in Ottawa County, Kansas, on January 7th, 1894, Mr. Jay King, a friend of the family, officiating. Four children were born to this union.

Children

RICHARD married Bethel Caldwell. Lives in Pawnee County, Oklahoma.
Children:

VALNA married Edmund Pepper. Lives in Pawnee, Oklahoma.
Children:

JERALD EDMUND and *LAWRENCE EDWARD (Twins)
DONNA RAE
BETH ANN

ROY married Millie Leluch. Lives in Detroit, Michigan. He served in the Army in World War 11.
Children:

CYNTHIA LEE

ELTON DALE married Kathleen Malone. They live in Wichita, Kansas. He served in the Army in World War 11.

*ELNA

* indicates deceased.

Children of William and Grace Klutsenbeker.

*GLADYS died in infancy.

MABEL married Frank Howard. Lives in Arkansas City, Kansas.
Children:

GORDON married Nancy Bybee. Lives in Wichita, Kansas.
Children:

*ROBERT DARREL

ALFRED married Delsie Robinson. Lives in Arkansas City, Kansas.
Children:

SHIRLEY JEAN
DAVID LYNN

MARGARET MAXINE married Leonard Decker. Lives in Cleveland, Oklahoma.
Children:

*KAREN SUE
FREDDIE
LINDA KATHLEEN

CALVIN married Jenny Riley. Lives in Oakland, California. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.
Children:

JAMES ROBERT
JOYCE MARIE

*Indicates deceased.

Children of William and Grace Klutsenbeker.

MABEL (Continued)

CLIFTON married Ola Mae Berry. Lives in Arkansas City, Kansas. He is studying to be a Minister of the Gospel. He served in the Medical Corps in World War 11.
Children:

JUDITH ANN
SHARON KAY

DONALD married Minerva Oliver. Lives in Arkansas City, Kansas.
Children:

GORDON
PHILIP RAY

*LILLIAN GRACE (Twin to Lyle)

LYLE married Norma Nicolai. Lives in California. He served in the Air Force in World War 11.

LYNDON LEROY

MARGARET married Alfred Lewallen. Lives in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He served in 90th Division, Headquarters Company in World War 1.
Children:

JOYCE married Paul Strenge. He is studying to be a Minister of the Gospel.

* Indicates deceased.

RICHARD BELDEN, born January 7, 1875, in Dickinson County, Kansas, died November 16, 1917, at Pawnee, Oklahoma. married ANNA BELTZ, who was born in Kansas, and died August 23, 1937, at Grants Pass, Oregon. They were married at Winfield, Kansas.

Children

VALNA married Verne Rice and Charles Moore. Lives in Anaheim, California.

VANCE married Brooksie Johnson. Lives in Pawnee, Oklahoma.
Children:

BETTY RUTH married Prentice Rowe, who served in the Army, and James E. Peabody, who served in the Navy in World War 11. Lives in Dallas, Tex.

BILLYE JEAN married Jack Judd, who served in the Marines in World War 11. They live in Wichita Fall,Tex.

CECIL married Mary Sager. Lives in Anaheim, California.
Children:

ENIDE married Douglas Allison. Lives in Wallace, Idaho.
WAYNE

VIRGIL married Virgie Penny and Phylis Randall. He served in Army World War 11.
Children: (Mother, Virgie)

JACK LEROY married _____
One child.

HAZEL married William Lincoln. Lives in Grants Pass, Oregon.

*CARMELITA died in 1937.

ALMIRA HALL - 1858-1947
Co-author

It can be said of her that she loved the world and the people in it. Her friends were legion, in all walks of life, some very rich and some very poor, it mattered not to her. She looked up to no one and down on no one.

She was a nurse by profession and loved it. She was always willing to lend a helping hand and she made life a little easier for a multitude of people.

Hers was a long and colorful career. She saw the agony of four wars. She watched her father drill the boys for the Civil War. She heard the news that Lincoln had been shot. She watched another generation of boys leave for the Spanish War, and another for World War 1. She watched still another generation of boys being drilled in front of her home in Los Angeles for World War 11.

She endured the hardships of pioneer life in three different States, Iowa, Kansas, and Oklahoma.

She traveled in a covered wagon, behind an ox team. She rode down a mountain in a stage coach behind a drunken driver. She traveled in buggies, two-wheeled carts, trains, boats, busses, street cars, streamlined automobiles and an airplane.

The cornbelt of Iowa was her birth place. She lived in Canada, where she watched the aurora borealis (northern lights). She lived so near Niagara Falls she could listen to the roar. She lived in the wooded hills of western New York, where they make the maple sugar.

She lived on a mountain top in Arkansas, where the scenery is so gorgeous. She lived in a booming oil town in Oklahoma, where she mingled with the Indians and learned a part of their language. She lived on the prairies of Kansas, in a mining town and in the mountains of Colorado, where the beauty takes one's breath away. She lived in California, where the roses bloom the year round. She watched the mighty battle ships on the Pacific Ocean.

Her last ten years were entirely devoted to the Townsend pension activities. No one knew better than she hardships endured by the early pioneers. She watched the elderly people, the builders of our nation, obliged to live with relatives where they were not wanted and others being regimented into the poor houses, a heartbreaking tragedy in every case. Then she watched the pension bring new life, hope, self respect and sheer joy to these same people. She also watched the Townsend social activities bring cheer and happiness to thousands of the lonely. The old age pension - no other tax money brings such rich returns when needed most. Truly, Christianity in action.

She made a life long study of the Bible and she believed in its promises. She knew it by heart and she could give you chapter and verse for anything you wanted to know.

On August 14th, 1947, she received a call from the Master she loved so well and went on, no doubt, to greater adventures, activities and service..

Nellie Scott.

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